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Annual Report 2007-08

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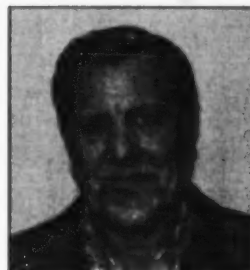
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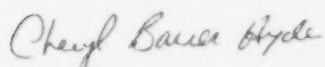
Audra Young

The Honourable Christine Tell
Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport
Province of Saskatchewan

Dear Ms. Tell:

In accordance with the Tabling of Documents Act, it is my pleasure to present to you, on behalf of the Board, the Annual Report of the Community Initiatives Fund for the period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Bauer Hyde
Chairperson
CIF Board



**(L-R) Deputy Minister Van Isman, Chairperson Cheryl Bauer Hyde,
Past Chairperson Lance Brown, Board Member Audra Young**

Message from the Chair



The Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) was established in 1995 through the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Act to provide visible benefits to communities from casino profits. Each year, the CIF receives a portion of the profits generated at the Regina and Moose Jaw casinos of the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation. Since it began distributing funds in 1996-97, the CIF has awarded over \$70 million to community projects throughout Saskatchewan.

The CIF is managed by a government-appointed board comprised of community volunteers. The CIF board is responsible for the management and operation of the fund and is accountable to government through the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport.

Early in 2007, four new members were appointed to the board. All board members have extensive experience as community volunteers. Together, board members bring youth, Aboriginal, northern, urban, and small community perspectives to their board duties.

As the chair of the 2007-08 CIF board, I had the opportunity to advance CIF organizational development initiatives, with the goal of improving the accountability and effectiveness of the board. As a result, in July 2007, the board and the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport signed a memorandum of understanding that includes policies to address respective roles, responsibilities, performance expectations, board terms of reference, and the reporting relationship between the board and government.

Currently, the CIF provides several grant programs benefiting Saskatchewan children, youth, families, communities, and First Nations and Métis people. Grant programs of the CIF include the Community Grant Program, the Urban Aboriginal Community Grant Program, the Problem Gambling Prevention and Treatment Program, Physical Activity Initiatives, and mitigation payments to exhibition associations.

The Community Grant Program supported 343 projects in 2007/08 to improve the education, health and well-being of children, youth and families. The board was pleased to provide

an increase of \$500,000 to this program in 2007-08 to allow for greater access to the funds, especially for requests from smaller communities and youth.

During 2007-08, the CIF Board continued to partner with Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund to offer the Urban Aboriginal Community Grant Program. This program provides grants that increase access to and assist in the development of sport, culture and recreation projects and leadership opportunities for First Nations and Métis people in fourteen designated urban centers.

In 2007-08 the CIF Board continued to invest in initiatives to increase the physical activity level of Saskatchewan people including investment in physical activity research with sector partners and annual funding to Saskatchewan in motion.

It is only through the continued support and efforts of our delivery partners that the CIF is able to successfully deliver its programs at the local and regional level. We were able to evolve our relationship with the Regional Intersectoral Committees in 2007-08, revising our delivery agreements to better support their role in the regional review of proposals. We also appreciate the administration and financial management support that is provided to us by Sask Sport. Thank you to them and to our partners for their commitment.

I would like to recognize and thank the organizations and volunteers across Saskatchewan that utilize CIF grants to support the valuable projects and activities in their communities. Your efforts are commendable as you continue to provide opportunities for human development and community vitality to the people of Saskatchewan.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to outgoing CIF board members Lance Brown, Joe McKay and Audra Young for their commitment and service. I would also like to thank the individuals who continue to be members of the CIF board – Darlene Bessey, Michael Crowter, Cara Merasty, and Ranjith Narayanasamy.

Cheryl Bauer Hyde, Chairperson

CIF in Action

CIF In Action

The Community Initiatives Fund provides grants to community initiatives that enhance human development and community vitality. The fund focuses on four main program objectives. The following are examples of how CIF funding supports these main areas of interest.

Development Opportunities for Children, Youth and Families

Unity Family and Community Resource Centre

The Unity Family and Community Resource Centre enabled local individuals and families to gain valuable support and experience with issues such as positive parenting methods, nutritional meal ideas, community events, and children's games and activities. The centre worked to enhance programs that currently exist in the community to help meet the needs of local individuals and families.

Thanks to a CIF grant in 2007/08, the Resource Centre was able to offer parenting and prenatal classes, a community kitchen, Good Food Box, a book exchange program and more to Unity's residents.

YMCA Physical Activity Study

The YMCA Physical Activity Study concentrated on increasing children's physical activity levels, especially in daycares, as a method of combating childhood obesity. The study revealed that children are more active with structured rather than unstructured activities, which prompted the researcher to develop new games and activities that daycares can utilize to get kids more active.

All of the activities used multi-purpose equipment – items that can be used in several games – to help keep the costs down for daycares. Games were also designed to meet various space and childhood development requirements such as balance and coordination, music and creativity, and skills improvement.

As a result of this study, which was funded in part through a CIF grant, the YMCA childcare centre received new equipment, Regina daycares gained access to physical activity resource kits, and parents and daycare workers learned more about the childhood obesity epidemic, the benefits of structured play and how to encourage children to be physically active.

Positive activities for young people

Wascana Racing Canoe Club

Since 1992, the Wascana Canoe Club has operated the Herchmer Canoe Program, a year-round initiative that allows inner-city youth ages 9 to 17 to canoe/kayak in Regina. Without this program many of the participants would be unable to participate in the sport.

The youth, the majority of which are of Aboriginal descent, are transported to Wascana Lake twice a week to participate in one and a half to two hour canoe/kayak lessons and practices in the summer and fall. In the winter, students engage in strengthening and conditioning exercises at the Lawson Aquatic Centre.

For the first time since the program's inception, more than ten students signed up for the program. This year, the program supported a boys and a girls' team, each consisting of ten members. Through canoe/kayak, the students built self-esteem and confidence and learned skills such as responsibility, team work, self-discipline and leadership that will help them to achieve their goals in life.

Biggar Summer Play Program

The Biggar and District Integrated Summer Play Program provided opportunities for children aged 5-12 to participate in activities such as swimming, reading, movies, crafts, and field trips. The program aim was to provide these activities to all children in the community and surrounding area regardless of physical, mental or financial barriers. Many of the children that participate in the program came from low income families or have special needs. The support of the CIF helped to assure that the children of Biggar had an opportunity to participate in positive, fun and educational activities during the summer months.

Around 75 children aged 5-12 participated in the 2007 Summer Day Camp Program. The program ran for the month of July and August from Monday to Friday from 1-4pm. Field trips were made to the library, the RCMP station, the Fire Hall, and a local museum. Participants also enjoyed regular swimming and bowling. Biggar was also lucky enough to get the Mobile Playground, provided by the Wild Goose Recreation Association, to make presentations to the participating children. The Kids on the Block program also came out to do a fun presentation on the themes of difference and tolerance. On top of all these activities, daily crafts, games and snacks were also enjoyed. The program received a lot of positive feedback from participating children and parents.

Kids in Action – Blackstrap Regional Recreation Association

Kids in Action is a summer recreation activity program offered free of charge for children age five to 12 years of age. The program was hosted by communities throughout the Blackstrap Regional Recreation Association. In order to meet the challenges of delivering the program over a rural area, the recreation associations of seven communities in the region pooled their available resources to offer the program across the whole region. Communities in the region that did not have a summer activity program were given first opportunity to host the program.

By contributing to regional delivery of the program, the CIF helped the Blackstrap Regional Recreation Association and its partners to provide summer activity opportunities for children in rural communities who would not otherwise have access to summer programs. Thanks to the CIF grant, Kids in Action was able to offer free admission to its activities program, which played a huge role in lowering barriers to participation for children, especially in communities that lacked recreational infrastructure such as swimming pools or recreation centres. In 2007 about 500 children took part in the Kids in Action program. The program also partnered with Saskatoon in motion to introduce children to regular physical activity.

Development of Community Leaders

Melfort Youth Initiative

The CIF awarded a grant for the North East Crisis Intervention Centre's Melfort Youth Initiative. The CIF grant led to the establishment of a Youth and Family Resource Centre in the community.

Through the initiative, Northeast Saskatchewan youth received leadership development and mentorship support, and they participated in a variety of sport, culture and social recreational activities. The Melfort Youth Council also enabled the youth to help determine and implement the Centre's direction, as well as the activities and events that take place at the facility.

Kindersley Families and Schools Together

Families and Schools Together (F&ST) is a structured community-based, interagency program that takes place in the school setting. The program connects families in need to community agency resources through an approach that places emphasis on parental and volunteer involvement. F&ST develops parent partners who are available to support and assist families to build a bridge between home, school and community. Through this grant, the CIF supported the F&ST program at two elementary schools in Kindersley; Elizabeth School and Westberry School. In total 18 families were involved, including 33 parents or caregivers along with approximately 79 volunteers from community groups.

Inclusion of First Nations and Métis people in the delivery of community activities

Urban Aboriginal Leadership Prince Albert

With support from the CIF Urban Aboriginal Leadership Coordinator Program, the City of Prince Albert continued to deliver the Aboriginal Leadership Training Program. The program is led by an Aboriginal Coordinator. The Leadership Training Program emphasizes skill development for First Nation and Métis involved in the delivery of sport, recreation and culture activity in the community, living healthy and positive lifestyles and developing role models for Aboriginal youth.

The program helps to prepare Aboriginal people for potential employment opportunities in the sport, culture and recreation sectors and to increase the pool from which community leaders may be drawn. The Coordinator works with community groups to deliver the program and also works to strengthen linkages between Aboriginal organizations and sport, culture and recreation networks and community resources.

The pairing of the Urban Aboriginal Community Grant Program with the Urban Aboriginal Leadership Coordinator Program promotes program development, increased participation and human resource capacity. For example, in 2007 the Leading Up to Life program, which provides swimming lessons and lifeguard training for aboriginal youth, accommodated 35 participants. Two graduates of the program have gone on to find jobs as lifeguards with the City of Prince Albert. The Leadership Coordinator has worked closely with aboriginal groups to develop new programs and integrate with Prince Albert's aboriginal community.

Northern Physical Activity Roundtable

The CIF supported the Active Communities Team of the Northern Healthy Communities Partnership to convene the Northern Physical Activity Roundtable. This is an annual initiative that brings together a cross section of sectors, community organizations and leaders involved in the continued efforts to raise physical activity levels across Northern Saskatchewan. The event included a keynote speaker, information sessions and sharing of successful physical activity initiatives that have taken place in Northern communities. The event also provided a forum to encourage and recognize local physical activity champions, who are engaging people in physical activity initiatives in their home communities. Community participants appreciated learning what works in other communities and were inspired by the principle that communities know best. This event is one way that Northern leaders, mostly Aboriginal, are supported to develop their community capacity.

2007-08 CIF Grants

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Pasquia Regional Park	Arborfield	Special Needs Swim Program	\$ 2,000
Eastern Region II Métis Nation	Archerwill	Annual Culture Camps	15,000
Assiniboia and District Museum	Assiniboia	School Program	500
Child and Youth Interagency Committee	Assiniboia	The Tot Spot	1,800
Spirit Builders	Balcarres	Spirit Builders Summer Camp	3,000
Badlands Recreation Association	Bengough	Summer Play Program	4,000
Badlands Recreation Association	Bengough	Living Large Project	18,000
Bengough Parks and Recreation Board	Bengough	Youth in Motion	3,000
Bengough Parks and Recreation Board	Bengough	Youth Centre Program	5,000
Big River Community High School	Big River	Cultural Activity Program	2,350
Big River Community Football Team	Big River	Community Football Program	5,000
Biggar Recreation Board	Biggar	Summer Play Program	4,500
Biggar Wellness Centre Committee	Biggar	Families and Schools Together	4,000
Birch Hills and District Recreation Board	Birch Hills	Bridging the Gap	5,000
Blaine Lake Library	Blaine Lake	Children's Activity Program	8,166
Buchanan and District Recreation Board	Buchanan	Summer Fun Program	3,500
Canora Nursery School Association	Canora	Preschool Program	5,000
Carlyle Elementary School Council	Carlyle	Families and School Together	13,740
Cornerstone Childcare Cooperative	Carlyle	IMPACT	12,000
Cornerstone Family and Youth Centre	Carlyle	Summer Kids Program	3,600
Carrot River and District Recreation Board	Carrot River	Summer Kid's City	2,000
Carrot River and District Recreation Board	Carrot River	Active Youth	2,500
Churchbridge Public School Council	Churchbridge	Summer Activities Program	2,000
Town of Churchbridge Information Centre	Churchbridge	Summer Tourism Program	1,750
Clavet Composite School	Clavet	Yoga in the Classroom	650
Coronach Community Fitness Centre	Coronach	Special Needs Fitness Program	2,000
Coronach Early Learning Literacy Center	Coronach	Early Learning Literacy Center	10,000
Prairie Literacy Awareness Network	Coronach	Lost Worlds	4,000
Creighton Recreation Board	Creighton	Spray Pool Fiesta	1,700
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Neyanun)	Creighton	Recreation Wise	5,000
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Neyanun)	Creighton	Sports, Culture and Recreation Program	10,000
Pine Island Community Reference Panel	Cumberland House	Summer Youth Development Project	2,500
Pine Island Community Reference Panel	Cumberland House	Development Project	15,000
Arlington Beach Camp and Conference Centre	Cymric	Children's Camps	5,000
Davidson Playschool Association	Davidson	Davidson Playschool	6,000
Davidson Optimist Youth Recreation Centre	Davidson	Summer Program	2,500
Denare Beach Recreation Board	Denare Beach	Summer Fun At The Beach	1,500
Denare Beach Recreation Board	Denare Beach	Amisk Lake Youth Program	5,000
Dundurn School Community Council	Dundurn	Summer Fun	5,000
Association for Community Living	Esterhazy	Special Needs Summer Program	5,000
Growing Tree Preschool Cooperative	Esterhazy	Preschool Program	5,000
Potashville Child Action Plan Committee	Esterhazy	Healthy Beginnings	9,700
Estevan Family Resource Centre	Estevan	Summer Kid Shop Discovery Programs	3,000
Estevan Family Resource Centre	Estevan	Girl's Circle After School Program	13,000
Eston and District Recreation Board	Eston	Playbusters Summer Camp Program	3,660
Indian-Métis Friendship Association	Flin Flon	Camp Moochikum	2,500
Foam Lake Leisure Services Board	Foam Lake	Summer Fun in the Sun	3,500
Fort Qu'Appelle Community School	Fort Qu'Appelle	Youth Crime Prevention Program	10,000
Fort Qu'Appelle Elementary School	Fort Qu'Appelle	WOW School Conference	5,000
Ka-Pa-Chee Training Centre	Fort Qu'Appelle	Healthy Families Initiative	18,000
Paradise Hill Home and School	Frenchman Butte	Paradise Hill School Wellness Day	4,000
Gladmar Preschool	Gladmar	Gladmar Preschool Program	500
South East Saskatchewan Association for Culture, Recreation and Sport	Glenavon	Mobile Playground Program	4,000
Goodsoil In Motion Committee	Goodsoil	Goodsoil Fitness Club	7,881
Grand Coulee Pre-School	Grand Coulee	Grand Coulee Pre-School	7,500
Mocikitaw Recreation Board	Green Lake	Summer Playground Program	2,500
Redberry Lake Biosphere Reserve	Hafford	Self Interpretive Millennium Trail	25,000
Holdfast and District Public Library	Holdfast	Library Summer Recreation Program	700
Hudson Bay Heritage Park	Hudson Bay	Summer Community Programs	1,900

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Hudson Bay Summer Leisure Program	Hudson Bay	Summer Leisure Program	3,715
Humboldt and Area Support Employment Program	Humboldt	Special Needs Program	12,250
Humboldt and Area Support Employment Program	Humboldt	Summer Recreation and Respite Program	3,000
Partners for Rural Family Support	Humboldt	Healthy Relationships	25,000
Ile a la Crosse Friendship Centre	Ile a la Crosse	Youth Outdoor Wellness Conference	7,500
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Beaver River)	Ile a la Crosse	Northwest Sports Development Program	10,000
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Clearwater)	Ile a la Crosse	Northwest Sports Development Program	10,000
Imperial Palliser Library	Imperial	Library Summer Program	1,200
Kamsack Comprehensive Institute	Kamsack	Aboriginal Awareness Education Project	2,000
Kamsack Detour Drop-in/Resource Centre	Kamsack	Detour Gang Task Force	10,000
Buddies	Kelvington	People Helping Each Other	10,000
Kindersley Integrated Children's Services	Kindersley	Families and Schools Together	15,300
Playcare Children's Inc.	Kindersley	Girls Scrapbooking Extravaganza	3,000
West Central Crisis and Family Support Centre	Kindersley	Building Safer Communities	20,000
Kinistino Public Library	Kinistino	Lost Worlds	900
Kipling Parks and Recreation	Kipling	Summer Activities Program	4,000
Kipling Parks and Recreation	Kipling	Reaching Out Youth Mentorship Program	2,000
Gordon Denny Community School	La Ronge	Summer Community Recreation Program	4,400
Kikinahk Friendship Centre	La Ronge	Aboriginal Cultural Participation Day	5,000
La Ronge Community Library Board	La Ronge	Lost Worlds	800
La Ronge Parks and Recreation Board	La Ronge	Summer Fun	3,800
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Sagastew)	La Ronge	Life Saving Society Instructors Course	5,000
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Athabasca)	La Ronge	Athabasca Summer Youth Programs	5,000
Pahkisimon Nuye?ah Library System	La Ronge	Summer Reading Program Performer Tour	3,000
Pahkisimon Nuye?ah Library System	La Ronge	Aboriginal Storytelling Program	15,220
Pre-Cam Community School	La Ronge	Free For All Summer Series	1,500
Prenatal Baby Friendly Committee	La Ronge	Prenatal Calendar	6,000
Gordon Denny Community School	La Ronge	Circus Arts project	5,000
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Athabasca)	La Ronge	Community Sport Priority Initiatives	20,000
Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District (Sagastew)	La Ronge	Sports Development Program	10,000
Hoffman Elementary Community School	Langenburg	Summer Support Program	1,500
Langham District Culture, Parks and Recreation Board	Langham	Summer Activities Program	5,000
Living Sky Respite and Recreation	Lanigan	Summer Fun Day Camp	5,000
Town of Leader	Leader	Parks Program	4,050
Kihtwam Program	Leask	Community Leadership Project	4,800
Leask School Community Council	Leask	Rural Healthy Choices for Kids	8,000
Community Integration Agents Youth Group	Leroy	Community Unification	5,000
Community Family Resource Centre	Lestock	Parenting Class with Literacy	1,324
Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Lloydminster	Lloydminster	After School Discovery Program	18,750
Father Gorman Community School Council	Lloydminster	Summer Literacy Camp	5,000
Father Gorman Community School Council	Lloydminster	School Learning Grounds	10,000
Jack Kemp Community School Council	Lloydminster	Cultural Club	3,810
River Junction Recreation Association	Lloydminster	Hard Hitting Motivation for Youth	9,800
MacDowall and District Recreation	MacDowall	On The Move Program	14,121
Community Action Team	Maple Creek	Survival Cooking	1,000
Northwest Friendship Center	Meadow Lake	Summer Recreation Program	11,000
Medstead Central School	Meadstead	Self Awareness Program	1,600
Canadian Métis Heritage Corporation	Melfort	Cultivating Creative Children	15,347
Maude Burke School Community Council	Melfort	Parent'n'Tot Support Program	4,100
Melfort and District Museum	Melfort	Summer Youth Heritage Program	2,000
Melfort Public Library	Melfort	Discovering Lost Worlds	1,600
North East Crisis Intervention Centre	Melfort	Youth Initiative Project	25,000
North East Recreation and Parks Association	Melfort	Mobile Playground Program	2,500
North East Saskatchewan Parenting Education Association	Melfort	Parenting Workshops	3,000
Northeast Christian Fellowship	Melfort	Kids of the Kingdom/Klub Life	12,550
Blackstrap Regional Recreation Association	Melfort	Kids in ACTION	4,000
Oasis Youth Centre	Melville	Oasis Youth Centre	5,000
Qu'Appelle Valley Recreation Association	Melville	Mobile Playground Program	2,500
Association for Community Living	Moose Jaw	Nutrition in Action	1,000
Association for Community Living	Moose Jaw	Putting Life into the Community	1,600

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Canadian Red Cross Society	Moose Jaw	Teams for Bullying Prevention	\$ 12,500
Early Childhood Coalition	Moose Jaw	Family Place	8,000
Hunger in Moose Jaw	Moose Jaw	Community Kitchens	4,500
Moose Jaw Family YMCA	Moose Jaw	Next Step Disability Based Programming	3,900
Moose Jaw Multicultural Council	Moose Jaw	Children's Summer Program	3,018
Moose Jaw Multicultural Council	Moose Jaw	School Break Program	2,000
Moose Jaw Museum and Art Gallery	Moose Jaw	Summer Art and Culture Camp	4,000
Moose Jaw Parks and Recreation Advisory Board	Moose Jaw	Community Youth Gym Night	4,000
Moose Jaw SaskSmart Literacy Coalition	Moose Jaw	Opening Doors	6,000
Moose Jaw Urban Aboriginal Community	Moose Jaw	Aboriginal Community, Traditional and Cultural Development Program	3,000
Moose Jaw Women's Transition Association	Moose Jaw	Building a Safe Community	7,000
Moose Jaw/South Central Region Drug Strategy Committee	Moose Jaw	Drug Strategy Implementation Program	11,813
South Central Recreation and Parks Association	Moose Jaw	Summer Recreation Program	4,000
South Central Recreation and Parks Association	Moose Jaw	Community Recreation Program	6,000
Southern Plains Métis Local #160	Moose Jaw	Mitotim Pahpi (Friends Laugh - Michief Language)	10,000
YMCA Play "N" Learn Centre	Moose Jaw	Activities Program	1,300
Moosomin Family Resource Centre	Moosomin	Drop-in Playtime	25,000
Mortlach Community Wellness Committee	Mortlach	Alcohol Reduction Strategy	3,000
Mortlach Community Wellness Committee	Mortlach	Regional Youth Drop-In Centre	3,600
Mortlach Youth Wellness Committee	Mortlach	Mortlach Youth Camp	3,500
Mossbank School Peer Support Program	Mossbank	Youth Program	3,000
Mossbank Youth Community Builders	Mossbank	Summer Youth Activity Program	2,900
Mossbank Youth Community Builders	Mossbank	Youth for Tomorrow Campaign	3,600
Muskoday First Nations	Muskoday	Activity Program	12,000
Muskoday First Nations	Muskoday	Cultural Outdoor Experiences	5,000
Naicam/Watson/Spalding Recreation Committee	Naicam	Introduction to Sport Program	19,500
Nipawin Recreation and Parks Board	Nipawin	Fun Factory Summer Youth Program	1,500
Apostolic Church of North Battleford	North Battleford	The Mix Youth Drop-in Centre	25,000
Battleford Regional Recreation Association	North Battleford	Summer Playground Program	5,000
Battlefords Boys and Girls Club	North Battleford	Summer Adventure Day Camp	5,000
Battlefords Early Childhood Intervention Program	North Battleford	Family Christmas Celebration	2,000
Battlefords First Nations Joint Board of Education	North Battleford	Leadership for Empowerment	15,300
Connaught School Council	North Battleford	Summer Playground Program	5,000
John Paul II School Community Council	North Battleford	Be the Change	15,000
Zone 7 Sport Council	North Battleford	Summer Sport Program	5,000
Ogema Play School	Ogema	Ogema Play School	3,000
Osler Family Resource Centre	Osler	Family Support Program	13,650
Osler Family Resource Centre	Osler	Summer Cool Camps	4,908
Off The Wall RC'ERS	Outlook	Off The Wall RC'ERS	4,400
Outlook and District Recreation Board	Outlook	Kid Zone Summer Playground Program	5,000
Outlook and District Regional Park	Outlook	Swim Program	3,500
Expressway Family Centre	Oxbow	Family Program	8,000
Paradise Hill Skating Club	Paradise Hill	Regional Figure Skating Competition	2,500
Walter Willoughby Horticultural Society	Parkside	Junior Gardener Program	2,000
Pense Recreation Board	Pense	Fun in the Sun Summer Program	5,000
Pense Recreation Board	Pense	Fun for all Seasons	25,000
Larwood Shaw Memorial Pool	Porcupine Plain	Summer Swimming Program	1,000
Preeceville Economic Development Committee	Preeceville	Summer Swimming Program	1,100
Association for Community Living	Prince Albert	Music, Art, Yoga for Children and Youth with Disabilities	15,000
Association for Community Living	Prince Albert	Interac	5,000
Big River Interagency Group	Prince Albert	Summer Day Camp	5,000
Family Connections Education and Resource Centre	Prince Albert	Family Education and Support Programs	25,000
Family Futures	Prince Albert	Young Moms Personal Development Program	18,000
Healthy Choices for Kids Committee	Prince Albert	After School/Evening Recreation Program	10,520
Native Coordinating Council, Children's Haven Child Crisis Centre	Prince Albert	Parenting Our Children Project	12,918
Parkland Health Region	Prince Albert	Teen Adventure Camp	4,950
Parkland Health Region	Prince Albert	Children's Summer Day Program	5,000
Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation Health Services	Prince Albert	Awasis Wellness Project	1,000
Prince Albert Aboriginal Head Start Program	Prince Albert	Summer Blast Cultural Camp	5,000

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Prince Albert Outreach Program	Prince Albert	Female Awareness Program	\$ 25,000
Prince Albert Skateboard/BMX Association	Prince Albert	Outdoor Skateboard Park Program	5,000
Riverside Community School Council	Prince Albert	Family Wellness Summer Camp	5,000
Smart Families Food Cooperative	Prince Albert	Family Activities Program	4,110
The Cooperative Health Centre	Prince Albert	Community Talking Circles	23,810
West Flat Citizens	Prince Albert	Summer Playground Program	5,000
Westview Community School Council	Prince Albert	Wheels	25,000
Willow Resource Services	Prince Albert	Youth Educational Alternatives	12,481
Quill Lake Recreation Board	Quill Lake	Youth Synergy Program	4,905
Al Ritchie Community Association	Regina	Summer Jam Program	5,000
Autism Resource Centre	Regina	Summer Program	10,000
Big Brothers of Regina	Regina	In School Mentoring	25,000
Camp Monahan Association	Regina	Summer Camp	5,000
Canadian Cancer Society	Regina	Teens Against Tobacco Program	6,250
Canadian Red Cross Society	Regina	Are You Ready?	4,997
Common Weal Community Arts	Regina	Dewdney Avenue Project	25,000
Community Health Services Association	Regina	Care for Families	24,600
Community Services Village	Regina	Community Services Village Library	15,000
Core Community Association	Regina	Misatim Manokewin Horse Camp	17,500
Dunlop Art Gallery	Regina	Betsabee Romero Artist Residency	2,800
Eastview Community Association	Regina	Community Program	12,139
Ehrlo Community Services	Regina	Driver's Education Project	3,720
Girl Guides of Canada	Regina	Camping Program for Girls	5,000
Girl Guides of Canada	Regina	Regina Community School Program	14,919
Last Touch Regional Recreation Association	Regina	Summer Youth Program	3,400
Learning Disabilities Association	Regina	Summer Sunshine Day Camp	4,000
Library Services for Aboriginal People	Regina	Aboriginal Storytelling Program	15,000
Lifesaving Society	Regina	Northern Outreach Program	3,411
Play Escapes Friends Parent Group	Regina	Play Escapes Friends	4,000
Rainbow Youth Centre	Regina	Great Job!	25,000
Regina Family Literacy Network	Regina	Through Grandma's Eyes	7,015
Regina Home Economics for Living Project	Regina	Healthy Lifestyles Program	7,910
Regina Home Economics for Living Project	Regina	Nutritious Fast Food Lunch Project	5,000
Regina Open Door Society	Regina	Summer Learning Program	5,000
Regina Palliative Care	Regina	Caring Hearts Camp	5,000
Regina Work Preparation Centre	Regina	Contemporary Women's Outreach Program	25,000
Sacred Heart Community School Council	Regina	Sacred Heart Fun Zone	7,360
Sakewewak First Nations Artists' Collective	Regina	Sakewewak Storytellers Festival	25,000
Saskatchewan Abilities Council	Regina	Summer Fun Program	5,000
SCEP Centre Society	Regina	Summer Friends	5,000
Seniors Education Centre	Regina	Challenging Racism Program	20,000
Stepping Stones Child Care Cooperation	Regina	Literacy Program	1,000
Tamarack Foundation	Regina	Camp Tamarack Literacy Program	5,000
Wascana Racing Canoe Club	Regina	Inner City Sport Program	2,950
Wind on my Wings Sailing Club	Regina	Adapted Sailing Program	20,000
YMCA of Regina	Regina	Summer Y's Program	25,000
Southshore Youth Club	Regina Beach	Youth Club Activities	8,250
Rocanville Parks and Recreation	Rocanville	Recreation and Fun Program	3,773
Heartland Health Region	Rosetown	Young Parent's Program	12,000
Rosthern Interagency Committee	Rosthern	Youth Activity Program	19,462
Generations Ahead Family Learning Center	Rosthern	Retention Project	5,000
Rosthern Interagency Summer Youth Program	Rosthern	Summer Youth Program	5,000
Sandy Bay Community Resource Centre	Sandy Bay	Support and Education Program	5,000
Sandy Bay Junior Mayor and Council	Sandy Bay	Annual Sports/Culture Project	6,500
Association for Community Living	Saskatoon	Summer Day Camps	5,000
Autism Treatment Services of Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Summer Program	5,000
Bedford Collegiate	Saskatoon	Restorative Action Program	18,000
Catholic Family Services of Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Family to Family Ties	20,000
Central Urban Métis Federation	Saskatoon	Count Me Out!	25,000
Community Legal Assistance Services for Saskatoon Inner City	Saskatoon	Walk-in Advocacy Clinic	25,000

2007-08 CIF Grants continued

Core Neighbourhood Youth Cooperative	Saskatoon	Spokes for Hope Bike Program	\$ 5,000
Family Service Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Family Violence Prevention Program	5,000
Independent Youth Response	Saskatoon	Youth Program	6,000
John Arcand Fiddle Fest	Saskatoon	Fiddle Fest Workshop Program	5,000
Kids First Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Rural Asset Inventory Strategy	19,500
Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Summer Sunshine Day Camp	4,000
Lung Association of Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	Summer Health and Safety Show	5,000
Mayfair Community School Council	Saskatoon	Early Success Summer Reading Program	1,600
Mount Royal Collegiate	Saskatoon	Restorative Action Program	25,000
New Community Youth Development Corporation	Saskatoon	Our Time to Shine	24,957
Persephone Theatre	Saskatoon	Connecting our Community	7,500
READ Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Family Literacy Program	5,900
Saskatchewan Abilities Council	Saskatoon	Employment Plus	13,200
Saskatchewan Archaeological Society	Saskatoon	South Branch House Excavation Project	5,000
Saskatchewan Native Theatre Company	Saskatoon	Circle of Voices	30,000
Saskatoon Community Clinic	Saskatoon	Community Diabetes Outreach Program	25,000
Saskatoon Community Mediation Services	Saskatoon	Summer Drama Project	5,000
Saskatoon Housing Authority	Saskatoon	Summer Programs	15,000
Saskatoon Housing Authority	Saskatoon	Fall/Winter Activity Program	15,000
Saskatoon Sports Council	Saskatoon	Inner City Flag Football League	5,100
Saskatoon Tribal Council	Saskatoon	Cultural Experience Outdoors	5,000
Student Wellness Initiative Toward Community Health	Saskatoon	Children's Health and Dental Clinic	18,344
Tamarack Foundation	Saskatoon	Literacy Program	8,000
Tawayihk Family and Cultural Center	Saskatoon	Family and Cultural Centre	18,000
The Avenue Community Centre for Gender and Sexual Diversity	Saskatoon	Queer Mirror - Healthy Body Image	14,750
United Way of Saskatoon and Area	Saskatoon	Connect to What Matters	15,000
YMCA of Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Summer Day Camps	5,000
Shaunavon Community Anti-Drug Committee	Shaunavon	Cyber Safety Awareness and Education	21,800
Shaunavon Recreation Board	Shaunavon	Summer Active	3,159
Southey and District Recreation Board	Southey	Youth Zone Programming	3,500
Southey and District Recreation Board	Southey	Fitness and Fun Project	6,280
Rivier Elementary School	Spiritwood	Snowshoes in motion Program	3,300
Spiritwood Addiction Services	Spiritwood	Rural Teen Adventure Group	8,700
Spiritwood Curling and Bowling Board	Spiritwood	Learn to Bowl	6,000
Spiritwood High School	Spiritwood	Stay in School Program	16,000
Spiritwood Parks and Recreation	Spiritwood	Summer Recreation Program	3,400
Star City and District Recreation Board	Star City	Playschool Program	1,000
Stony Rapids Family Wellness	Stony Rapids	Building Stepping Stones for the Future	2,800
Stony Rapids Recreation	Stony Rapids	Certification for Recreation Leaders	5,200
Canora Child Action Plan Committee	Sturgis	Summer Youth Program	3,000
Canora Child Action Plan Committee	Sturgis	Youth Liaison Worker Program	12,000
Family Resource Centre	Sturgis	Summer Fun Program	3,000
City of Swift Current Recreation Department	Swift Current	The Hub on 6th Youth Centre	4,050
City of Swift Current Recreation Department	Swift Current	Parks Play Program	9,613
Interagency Committee for Children, Youth and Families	Swift Current	Online Parent Support Resource	1,200
Saskatchewan Abilities Council	Swift Current	Summer Fun Program	4,050
Southwest Homes	Swift Current	Cognitive Disabilities Program	25,000
Southwest Literacy Committee	Swift Current	Literacy Initiative	6,400
Swift Current and District Early Childhood Intervention Program	Swift Current	Summer Discovery Program	4,050
Swift Current and District Early Childhood Intervention Program	Swift Current	Early Learning Family Days	2,780
Swift Current Friendship Centre	Swift Current	Community Prevention Program	16,559
Timber Bay Recreation Club	Timber Bay	Family/Community Wellness Program	1,500
Honey Bee Music and Dance Camp	Tisdale	Music and Dance Camp	1,500
Interagency Committee	Tisdale	Youth Survival Skills Camp	5,000
Kelsey Trail Health Region	Tisdale	Youth Summer Program	2,615
North East Early Childhood Intervention	Tisdale	Summer Swim Program	2,000
Tisdale Children's Festival	Tisdale	Wild West Children's Festival	1,200
Tisdale Lions Club	Tisdale	Fun Zone Summer Play Program	1,600
Unity Family and Community Resource Center	Unity	Family Activities Program	25,000
Community Family Resource Centre	Vanguard	Summer Fun Program	3,000

2007-08 CIF Grants *continued*

Vonda Crafts and Culture Club	Vonda	Summer Sport and Recreation	\$ 2,500
Buddies: People Helping Each Other	Wadena	Transitional Mentorship Program	5,800
Intercommunity Development Group	Warman	Resident Health Improvement	9,550
Watson Arena Board	Watson	Parent and Tot and Senior Skates	2,000
Webb Recreation Board	Webb	Sun Fun	1,685
Signal Hill Arts Centre	Weyburn	Art Heaven	2,000
The Family Place	Weyburn	Sunny Scholars	4,000
Weyburn and Area Council on Child Abuse	Weyburn	Monday Morning Munch and Learn	4,353
Weyburn and Area Early Childhood Intervention Program	Weyburn	Ants in Your Pants Packs	5,000
Weyburn and Area Early Childhood Intervention Program	Weyburn	Bouncin' Around	5,000
Weyburn Big Brothers Big Sisters	Weyburn	In-School Mentoring Program	12,000
Weyburn Early Childhood Development Committee	Weyburn	Celebrating the Early Years	4,500
Dream Brokers	White City	Dream Brokers	20,000
White Fox Wapiti Regional Library	White Fox	Summer Craft Program	1,200
Whitewood Action for Families	Whitewood	Community Liaison Program	12,400
Whitewood Recreation Association	Whitewood	Summer Swimming Program	1,750
Wood Mountain Historical Society	Wood Mountain	Audio Visual Project	1,000
Wynyard C.A.R.R.E.S.	Wynyard	Summer Program	4,000
Zone 5 Sports Council	Wynyard	Summer Sport Program	4,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yorkton	Yorkton	In-School Mentoring Program	25,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yorkton	Yorkton	Summer Activity Program	4,500
Boys and Girls Club of Yorkton	Yorkton	Summer Program	4,500
Boys and Girls Club of Yorkton	Yorkton	After-School Program	25,000
Christ the Teacher Catholic School Division	Yorkton	Music Therapy in Schools	2,000
City of Yorkton Leisure Services	Yorkton	Summer Culture/Arts/Physical Activity Program	4,000
Godfrey Dean Art Gallery	Yorkton	Art and Community Development	5,000
Good Spirit School Division	Yorkton	Families First Program	25,000
Parkland Early Childhood Intervention Program	Yorkton	Special Summer Respite Program	3,500
Parkland Recreation Association	Yorkton	Traveling Summer Fun Spot	4,000
Parkland Valley Sport, Culture and Recreation District	Yorkton	Special Needs Aquatic Program	1,000
SaskSmart Community Association	Yorkton	Integrated Literacy Services	7,500
St. Mary's School	Yorkton	After School Program	25,000
Yorkdale Central School	Yorkton	Community Leadership Program	4,300
Yorkton Nursery School Cooperative	Yorkton	Preschool Summer Program	3,000
Zone 4 Sports Council	Yorkton	Summer Multi Sport Camps	4,000
			2,641,918
		Less grants returned	104,235
			<u>\$ 2,537,683</u>
Total Community grants			
Problem Gambling			
Canadian Mental Health Association		2007/08 Annual Funding upgrade	\$ 8,778
Canadian Mental Health Association		2008/09 Annual Funding	301,390
Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region		Day Treatment Program	15,504
Saskatchewan Science Centre		Risk It All Camp-in	56,000
Saskatoon Health Region		Problem Gambling Intensive Weekend Program	5,168
			386,840
		Total grants returned	27,554
			<u>\$ 359,286</u>
Total Problem Gambling grants			

2007-08 CIF Grants *continued*

Exhibition Associations

Battlefords Agricultural Society	\$ 35,000
Lloydminster Agricultural Exhibition Association	3,765
Prince Albert Exhibition Association	178,223
Swift Current Agricultural and Exhibition Association	9,251
Yorkton Exhibition Association	13,386
	<u>239,625</u>

Physical Activity

Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District	Active Communities Team 2008	25,000
Sask Sport Inc.	Strong Active Proud - Community Sport Initiative	40,000
Sask Sport Inc.	Active Living Active Bodies Health Literacy Initiative	30,000
Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association	Leadership and Community Engagement in Physical Activity and Active Living in Saskatchewan Project	108,000
Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association	Physical Activity Roundtable 2007/08	10,000
Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association	Active Transportation 2007/08	5,000
Saskatchewan Trails Association	Saskatchewan Trails Strategy Conference	10,000
Saskatchewan Institute of Public Policy	Physical Activity/Active Living Research	200,000
YMCA Regina	YMCA Child Care Centre Programs	25,000
		<u>453,000</u>
	Total grants returned	<u>44,741</u>
		<u>\$408,259</u>

Total Physical Activity grants

Urban Aboriginal

City of Estevan	Municipality	\$ 6,000
City of Lloydminster	Municipality	10,000
City of Melfort	Municipality	6,000
City of Moose Jaw	Municipality	20,000
City of North Battleford	Municipality	35,000
City of Prince Albert	Leadership	35,000
City of Prince Albert	Municipality	90,000
City of Regina	Municipality	140,000
City of Regina	Leadership	35,000
City of Saskatoon	Municipality	140,000
City of Saskatoon	Leadership	35,000
City of Yorkton	Municipality	20,000
Town of Battleford	Municipality	12,000
Town of Fort Qu'Appelle	Municipality	12,000
Town of Kamsack	Municipality	6,000
Town of Meadow Lake	Municipality	12,000
Town of Nipawin	Municipality	6,000
		<u>620,000</u>
	Total grants returned	<u>91,583</u>
		<u>\$ 528,417</u>

Total Urban Aboriginal grants

Centennial 2005 returns	13,066
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TOTAL CIF FUNDING ALLOCATED FOR 2007/08	\$ 4,060,204
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Financial Statements of
Community Initiatives Fund
Year ended March 31, 2008

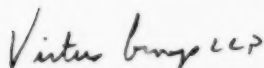
AUDITORS' REPORT

To: **Members of the Legislative Assembly**
Province of Saskatchewan

We have audited the statement of financial position of the **Community Initiatives Fund** as at March 31, 2008 and the statements of operations and accumulated surplus, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the **Community Initiatives Fund** as at March 31, 2008 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



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CIF Financial Statements continued

Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2008 with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Financial assets:		
Cash	\$ 2,789,328	\$ 509,257
Investment income and other receivables	10,211	39,940
Receivable from the General Revenue Fund	3,921,750	2,138,000
Investments (note 4)	1,606,994	1,500,100
	8,328,283	4,187,297
Liabilities:		
Grants payable	900,052	1,150,125
	900,052	1,150,125
Net financial assets	7,428,231	3,037,172
Accumulated surplus	\$ 7,428,231	\$ 3,037,172

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Cheryl Bauer Hyde

Chairperson

N. Griffith

Trustee

CIF Financial Statements continued

Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus

Year ended March 31, 2008 with comparative figures for 2007

	2008 Budget (Note 7)	2008 Actual	2007 Actual
Revenue:			
Interest	\$ 122,000	\$ 166,569	\$ 134,564
Transfers from Province of Saskatchewan- General Revenue Fund	6,125,000	8,515,500	6,468,500
	6,247,000	8,682,069	6,603,064
Expenses:			
Administration	194,000	200,270	200,295
Board honoraria	15,000	8,730	8,705
Delivery partner engagement	50,000	21,806	8,000
Grants (net of returns)	4,597,000	4,060,204	5,838,001
	4,856,000	4,291,010	6,055,001
Excess of revenue over expenses	1,391,000	4,391,059	548,063
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year	3,037,172	3,037,172	2,489,109
Accumulated surplus, end of year	\$ 4,428,172	\$ 7,428,231	\$ 3,037,172

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 2008 with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities:		
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 4,391,059	\$ 548,063
Net change in non-cash working capital items:		
Investment income and other receivables	29,729	(39,940)
Receivable from General Revenue Fund	(1,783,750)	(2,138,000)
Grants payable	(250,073)	88,130
	2,386,965	(1,541,747)
Investing activities:		
Purchase of investments	(7,967,736)	(1,500,100)
Proceeds from disposal of investments	7,860,842	-
	(106,894)	(1,500,100)
Increase/(decrease) in cash position during the year	2,280,071	(3,041,847)
Cash, beginning of year	509,257	3,551,104
Cash, end of year	\$ 2,789,328	\$ 509,257

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements - March 31, 2008

1. **Nature of operations:**

The Community Initiatives Fund (the "Fund"), previously known as the Associated Entities Fund, was established on August 23, 1996 by The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Act. It is managed by a Board of Trustees consisting of eight people appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. The Board of Trustees is responsible for managing and operating the Fund.

Pursuant to The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Act, the Government of Saskatchewan receives, into the General Revenue Fund, certain gaming revenues. The Minister of Finance transfers a portion of these gaming revenues to the Fund. The Trustees of the Fund grant these revenues to persons, organizations or associations in Saskatchewan for purposes prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council upon application to and approval by the Board of Trustees.

The Fund has an agreement with Sask Sport Inc. to provide administrative services to the Fund. In 2008 Sask Sport Inc. was paid \$209,000 (2007 - \$209,000), which included board honoraria paid by Sask Sport Inc. on behalf of the Fund. The term of the current agreement was April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2008.

2. **Significant accounting policies:**

The Fund uses generally accepted accounting principles as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (PSAB). The following accounting policies are considered significant.

Grant expense:

Grants are recognized when a completed grant application is received from an eligible organization and approved by the Board of Trustees.

Grant returns:

Grant returns are recognized when a completed follow up report is received indicating funds were not fully utilized and approval is obtained from the Board of Trustees.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the PSAB requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Differences are reflected in current earnings when identified.

Revenue Recognition:

Transfers from the General Revenue Fund are recognized when received or receivable. Interest revenue is recognized when earned.

Investments:

Investments are recorded at amortized cost.

Notes to Financial Statements - March 31, 2008 continued

3. Designated net assets:

Pursuant to directions given under the governing legislation, the Trustees of the Fund have designated net assets as follows:

- **Community Grants** to provide project grants to community initiatives that enhance human development and community vitality;
- **Problem Gambling** for initiatives to address problem gambling;
- **Regional Exhibition Associations;**
- **Physical Activity/Active Living** to fund projects aimed at increasing physical activity;
- **Aboriginal Participation** to fund projects aimed at increasing aboriginal participation in sport, culture and recreation;
- **Centennial 2005** to fund projects surrounding Saskatchewan's Centennial in 2005.

These designated net assets are not available for other purposes without the approval of the Trustees. Changes, during the current year, to these designated net assets were as follows:

	Beginning of year	Allocations	Net Grant Payments	End of year
Community Grants	\$ -	\$ 2,537,683	\$ (2,537,683)	\$ -
Problem Gambling	-	359,286	(359,286)	-
Regional Exhibition Associations	-	239,625	(239,625)	-
Physical Activity/Active Living	-	408,259	(408,259)	-
Aboriginal Participation	-	528,417	(528,417)	-
Centennial 2005	-	(13,066)	13,066	-
2008 Total	-	4,060,204	(4,060,204)	-
2007 Total	-	\$ 5,838,001	\$ (5,838,001)	-

4. Investments:

Investments consist of a Bank of Nova Scotia Bond Discount Note that matures April 1, 2008 with a guaranteed rate of return of 3.5% and a market value at March 31, 2008 of \$1,607,000, and 60.433 units of Royal Bank of Canada Canadian T-Bill Fund with no stated due date, no guaranteed rate of return and a market value at March 31, 2008 of \$10.00/unit.

5. Financial instruments:

Community Initiatives Fund, as part of its operations, carries a number of financial instruments which include cash, investment income and other receivables, receivable from the General Revenue Fund, investments and grants payable. The carrying amount of the Community Initiatives Fund financial instruments approximates their fair value due to their relative short term maturities. Community Initiatives Fund is not subject to significant interest rate or credit risk.

Notes to Financial Statements - March 31, 2008 continued

6. **Related party transactions:**

These financial statements include transactions with related parties. The Fund is related to all Saskatchewan Crown agencies such as ministries, corporations, boards and commissions under the common control of the Government of Saskatchewan. Also, the Fund is related to non-Crown enterprises that the Government jointly controls or significantly influences.

During the year, the Fund paid grants of \$395,005 (2007 - \$465,041) to certain Saskatchewan Regional Health Authorities for various initiatives.

Other transactions with related parties and amounts due to/from them are described separately in these financial statements and the notes thereto.

7. **Budget:**

The operating budget was approved by the Board of Trustees on May 14, 2007.

